



**Second 15 Day Continuation Notice of California Notice Register 2017,  
No. Z-2017-0314-06  
Re: Scientific Collecting Permits**

September 18, 2017

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) has proposed amendments to Section 650, Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR), and several forms incorporated by reference for the proposed Scientific Collecting Permit (SCP) regulations. The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) published the draft proposed regulations in the California Regulatory Notice Register on March 24, 2017, Register 2017, No. 12-Z: OAL Notice File No. Z-2017-0314-06, and were available for a 45-day public comment period through May 8, 2017 (the “Original Proposed Package”). A 15-day continuation notice was held Monday August 14, 2017 through Thursday, August 31, 2017 to notice changes resulting from public comments to the Original Proposed Package (Amended Proposed Package). This letter provides notice of a **second** 15-day comment period on changes in the Second Amended Proposed Package.

**This second continuation 15-day period allows for public comments exclusively on the amended changes, as indicated by double strikeout, double underline (in bold) in the Second Amended Proposed Package, not on any parts of the Original and Amended Proposed Packages (notices which ended on May 8 and August 31, 2017, respectively).** The comments and respective responses from the 45-day period, and comments with responses from the two 15-day continuation periods, will be published with the Final Statement of Reasons (FSOR), around the time the Department would adopt the revised regulations, and before the planned effective date of January 1, 2018.

The following Second Continuation Notice (September 2017) for the Second Amended Proposed Package is proposed to address public comments and concerns received from the 15-day continuation period ending August 31, 2017, as described below:

1. Removal of two exemptions under subsection 650(u) because of statutory and regulatory authorities under which the following activities operate that are separate from the Department’s statutory authority to permit the take of wildlife for scientific, educational, or propagation purposes, as specified in these regulations.
  - a. subsection 650(u)(2) exemption for surveillance, prevention, monitoring, or control of vectors and vector borne diseases when conducted pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code.
  - b. subsection 650(u)(3) exemption for agricultural pest control activities conducted pursuant to the California Food and Agricultural Code.

2. Renumber the (u)(4) to (u)(8) subsections to (u)(2) to (u)(6) in the regulations and on the forms in response to the above exception removals.
3. Correct the taxonomy of Order Hymenoptera, Diptera and Hemiptera for the California Terrestrial and Vernal Pool invertebrates of Conservation Priority list (dated June 12, 2017), and provide a web address informing the regulated community for this list at <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Scientific-Collecting>) in the regulations and on the forms.
4. Minor editorial updates to Section 703, Title 14, CCR and the DFW forms from the Amended Proposed Package as follows:
  - a. Update all references from subsection 703(d) to subsection 703(c) to replace the previous repealed subsection 703(c) for clarity.
  - b. Revise nine forms (DFW 1379GF, DFW 1379GM, DFW 1379GW, and DFW 1379S, and their respective amendment forms (DFW 1379GWA, GFA, GMA, and SA), along with DFW 1379a) to incorporate the regulatory revisions to subsections (u) and 703(c), and the addition of the web address from item 4 above.
    - i. The dates for these nine forms were also updated from 07/01/17 to 09/01/17.
5. Correct minor grammatical and typographic errors.

Any interested person, or his or her authorized representative, may submit written comments on the changes to the Original Proposed Package to the Department. All written comments must be received by the Department via mail, or e-mail, no later than **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3, 2017**, to the contact as follows:

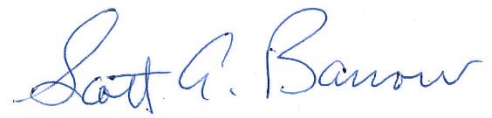
California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Regulations Unit - Scientific Collecting Permits  
Attn: Ona Alminas, Environmental Scientist  
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1342-A  
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**Please direct all questions on the substance of the proposed changes to the to the contact person listed above.**

Additional information and all associated documents may be found on the Department of Fish and Wildlife website at: <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Notices/Regulations/SCP>.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott A. Barrow". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'S'.

Scott Barrow  
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Attachment(s)